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## **Legacy Authorizations for Orthodontics**

The legacy authorization functionality of CMS Net was deactivated in the February 2008 Change Cycle (See [This Computes #242](#)). Prior to deactivation, legacy authorizations could be issued for orthodontic services for children who started a course of orthodontic treatment prior to the SAR implementation. To enable authorization of orthodontic retention visits for orthodontic cases originally authorized in the legacy system the legacy authorization module will be reactivated effective March 31, 2008, as follows:

1. The legacy authorization module will be limited to orthodontic cases only.
2. On a time limited basis it will be available for authorizing extensions of existing orthodontic legacy authorizations issued for courses of orthodontic treatment that began prior to 07/01/2004 and for retention visits for such courses of treatment.
3. This reactivation will be time limited to a six-month period at which time it will be re-evaluated.
4. Legacy orthodontic authorizations will be monitored for appropriateness.
5. A maximum of two (2) staff within each Independent County can be granted Legacy Authorization access.
6. Independent County CCS Program Administrators should contact the CMS Net Help Desk to request this access for their authorized staff.